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News Notes

Chili contest location change

The location of the Combined Federal Campaign's Sept. 9 chili contest has changed from the entrance aisle of Building 1A to Building 1C, Bay 1, near the Equal Employment Office. It will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. To volunteer, make chili or donate baked goods, call Kathy Winowich, X56656, Janine Yablonski, X57942, or Rose Kazinetz, X57072.

Fish for prizes at derby

The 13th annual Children's Fishing Derby will be held Sept. 26 at Barney's Lake. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the derby runs from 8 to 11 a.m. Prizes will be awarded in each of the four age groups. Children 15 years and younger are eligible to participate.

The lake will reopen for public fishing at noon. Individuals 16 years and older must have a Pennsylvania fishing license and trout stamp. Everyone must have a depot permit.

For more information, call Jackie Vass, X57584.

CFC hosts spaghetti dinner

The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) will host a spaghetti dinner for first and second shift employees on Oct. 8. Dinner for first shift employees will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Post Restaurant. Dinner for second shift employees will begin at 5 p.m. in Café 4. Tickets cost \$5.50. To sign up, contact a CFC key person.

One Stop Shop sells tickets

The Civilian Welfare Council is sponsoring the following trips:

- Washington D.C., on Oct. 11 and 12. The bus will depart Wegman's parking lot, Wilkes-Barre, at 10 a.m. on the 11th and depart for home on the 12th at 4 p.m.
- New York City, on Nov. 14. The bus will depart the depot at 6:30 a.m., and will depart for home at 6 p.m. Cost is \$20.
- Army vs. VMI football game at West Point, N.Y., on Nov. 14. Cost is \$35, which includes ticket, transportation and snack.
- City Radio City Music Hall "Christmas Spectacular," on Nov. 14. Cost is \$70. For details, call X58851.



Front to back, Technical Sgt. William Brinker, Tim Timmons and Master Sgt. Jamal Williams perform communications checks on UHF/VHF radios used for air traffic control in the AN/TPN-19 Landing Control Central (Radar Set) Operations Control Shelter. Williams and Brinker are Air Force Airfield Systems technicians and Timmons is an electronics mechanic at the depot. (Photo by Steve Grzezdzinski)

Depot overhauls AF deployable radar system

by Jacqueline Boucher Assistant Editor

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Tobyhanna employees and active-duty airmen have teamed up to complete the overhaul and resheltering of an Air Force deployable radar unit.

Nine radar maintenance specialists from the 1st Combat Communications Squadron (CCS), Ramstein, Germany, are here to test the operational capability of an AN/TPN-19 Landing Control Central (Radar Set) following a complex cycle of depot-level repair.

In 2006, the Air Force tasked Tobyhanna to replace the two small, legacy shelters that house the airport surveillance and precision approach radars with new, larger shelters and overhaul the two operations facilities.

Since then, an additional four radar sets have arrived here and are in different stages of repair.

"It's very encouraging to see everything working well," said Master Sgt. Christopher Hall, noncommissioned officer in charge of the squadron's radar maintenance section and team chief. "We're almost through the checklist items and I have every confidence in the radar's performance once testing is complete." Further operational tests will

be conducted at Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., before the Air Force signs off on the improved system.

The AN/TPN-19 is used by air traffic controllers to identify, sequence, and separate participating aircraft; provide final approach guidance, guidance through air defense corridors and zones, and coordinate identification and intent with local air defense units. The Precision Approach Radar is used to assist pilots with approach and landing at nearby runways, while the Airport Surveillance Radar uses identify friend or foe technology to track aircraft. Data from the radars is monitored by air traffic controllers working in the operations shelter.

To overhaul a system, Tobyhanna employees completely disassemble it, send components to support shops for repair, make any necessary modifications, and test it. Workload often includes diagnosing electrical failures and replacing defective components, testing and repairing all internal wiring and cable harnesses, and blasting, cleaning, priming and complete repainting of the asset.

The improved radar set will be easier to deploy, according to Hall. "Even though the shelters are larger, the equipment has been reconfigured to take less space on transport aircraft, while providing

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Lost and Found: The inheritance of forgiveness

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER by Chaplain (Maj.) Tammie Crews

Sgt. Maj. Sarah Tillman, the Army Material Command senior Chaplain Assistant, and I participated in the U.S. Army North Command's Vibrant Response, an annual training exercise for developing responses to natural disasters as well as to chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and high yield explosives.



We worked the night shift as the Joint Task Force 51 Religious Support Team. One of our many tasks was to conduct a worship service for the night shift. As one of the highlights of the training, Sgt. Maj. Tillman and I conducted a worship service at 3:30 a.m. on Sunday in a corner of the Tactical Operations Center. The following is a summary of that worship service:

The service began with a responsive reading from Psalm 139, "O Lord, you have searched me and know me. You understand my deepest thoughts. You know where I play and where I rest..." Sgt. Maj. Tillman led the group in prayer and then I gave the meditation of the day from the "parables of lostness" — The lost sheep, the lost coin and the lost sons. In each case, the individuals who were looking for the lost items were not satisfied until they were found — a crevice or

a field searched until a lone bleating sheep is comforted by its shepherd, a house turned upside down until the coin is found, a long road visited often until a cherished son returns home.

The one open-ended piece of these stories is the elder son who remains at home to perform his duty in accordance with his position in the family. He does all the right things while his brother squanders all the privileges he has as a son. We hear of no party or of any special clothes given for the efforts of the elder son. What we do discover in the unfolding of the conversation between the father and his son is that in all his efforts, the elder son has also squandered the better part of his inheritance because he cannot accept his father for accepting the younger brother. This son does not take into account that he always has his father near him or that his father's true character is forgiveness of the highest level. He gets lost in the weeds of life, so to speak, and loses the essence of his inheritance, which is not his father's wealth or work ethic, but his father's very nature, to forgive. In the story, we are not told whether the elder son ever returns to his father to claim his inheritance — a gracious heart that knows truly how to forgive.

As a small child, I remember being lost only once. I was about four or five and was with my parents in a department store. I was looking at the dolls and hoping that one would magically go home with me. The next thing I knew, I was alone and afraid. A nice lady took me to the store office and the manager called for my parents over the loud speaker. By

the time my parents came, I was crying. My Dad took me in his arms and suddenly everything was okay.

To be found is to experience the care of the Heavenly Father who takes us into His gracious arms and tells us that whatever our situation, He is with us and He is our focus. To be found is to understand that ultimately everything will be okay, but it is also to take on the forgiving nature of God Himself, which at times is humanly impossible, but is always possible with His grace.

What is the essence of the inheritance of forgiveness? In each case, there was great rejoicing over that which was lost and is now found. The sheep is gathered up by the shepherd and carried back to the flock, the woman regains a coin without further worry, and special clothes and a feast are prepared for a son. We are given a new chance at life. Forgiveness, among many things, is about rejoicing in the fact that we have been found and that we have hope in the fact that we are never alone even in our loneliest moments. Forgiveness is also rejoicing with others who are also found.

O Lord, you have searched me and know me. You understand my deepest thoughts.

You know where I play and where I rest...

So we finished our service at about 3:50 a.m., renewed in our minds and spirits because we had taken time to worship.

Private 1st Class Evi Dekenni is now at Tobyhanna as the chaplain assistant. Please introduce yourself to her when you see her around the depot.

SOUND OFF

Question: I received an e-mail from the American Heart Association that pertained to President Obama signing the bipartisan Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Act. The bill, as stated in the e-mail, will give the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) the authority to regulate the manufacturing, advertising and promotion of tobacco products in order to protect public health.

As stated in the e-mail, the fight against tobacco is far from over. We must continue to push for smoke free-workplace laws and funding for comprehensive smoking prevention to create a healthier environment for our families.

It's a coincidence that I received this because recently I had to take a friend to the hospital for minor surgery. I noticed that smoking is completely banned outdoors on hospital property as well as indoors. Hospitals are not the only institutions to do this. There are plenty of government facilities that have cultivated this environment, along with restaurants, hotels, theme parks and so on.

A lot of young people have been hired here. Perhaps the older generation of employees, like me, should set the example. It's been studied and proven that secondhand tobacco smoke is just as dangerous as smoking.

I know the smoking policy as stated, more than once, in Employee Bulletins. Some smokers here abide by it.

A while ago, I heard that there was a team put together to address this issue. I have not heard anything about it since. At the risk of sounding like a "whining, non-smoking zealot up on a soapbox," my questions are: Was anything done? What steps are being taken toward a smoke–free workplace at Tobyhanna Army Depot?

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Chris Webster Audio/Visual Production Specialist Information Management Directorate

Response: Thank you for your letter to Sound Off regarding Tobyhanna's Smoking Policy. Your letter provides us another opportunity to reiterate that we should all consider the healthy choices that assist in improving our quality of life.

Executive Order 13058 was set in place to protect federal employees and the public from exposure to tobacco smoke in the federal workplace. Section 1 of the order

states the following: It is the policy of the executive branch to establish a smoke-free environment for federal employees and members of the public visiting or using federal facilities.

The smoking of tobacco products is thus prohibited in all interior space owned, rented, or leased by the executive branch of the federal government, and in any outdoor areas in front of air intake ducts.

Signed by President Clinton in 1997, this initiative is the basis of our smoking policy. The depot is committed to the policy and has taken repeated steps to restate and educate our work force on the need to adhere to the policy. The specifics of the policy have been outlined in several employee bulletins, the latest being Bulletin 84, dated Aug. 25, 2008.

While there have been problem areas, we continue to stress the importance of abiding by the policy and respecting the health and well-being of others.

As noted, a working group was tasked to review the policy and opted to maintain the smoking policy, to take steps to reiterate the policy to the work force, as well as stress enforcement and to explain the importance of the policy to our new employees during their orientation. The working group

consists of various union and management representatives.

As we all know, the ramifications of smoking can lead to serious illness and death. While the depot's policy is intended to protect non-smokers, it is also intended to encourage healthy choices among smokers and to create an environment where smoking is discouraged.

We continue to promote healthy lifestyle habits by encouraging smokers to consider attending smoking cessation sessions by notifying their supervisor, who will then coordinate with the Technical Development Division.

There are no immediate plans to pursue a smoking ban on the installation.

The policy, when properly abided by and enforced, addresses the workplace balance between smokers and non-smokers.

Thank you again for allowing us to take another opportunity to restate Tobyhanna's smoking policy. By doing this, the policy is more fully understood by our employees, which we hope will assist in improving their quality of life.

Mike Parker Chief, Management Employee Relations

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Gibson: Workforce motivated, professional

by Jennifer Caprioli **Staff Writer**

On July 29, Col. Charles C. Gibson assumed command of Tobyhanna Army Depot. He recently took time to speak with The Tobyhanna Reporter about himself and his first impressions of

He describes himself as a warrior, leader, father, husband, and a proud American, who values family, loyalty and integrity. A native of Baltimore, Md., he joins the depot family, accompanied by his wife, Michelle, and son, Charles.

Gibson is a recent graduate of the U.S. Army War College, and arrives here with leadership skills earned during 22 years of service. While attending the Army War College he studied strategic leadership, and notes that he possesses a wealth of critical thinking and problem solving skills, adaptive leadership, and "most importantly, a commonsense approach to what it is we will accomplish together as a team."

Tobyhanna's senior officer brings with him a leadership style that is positive, demanding and honest. He is a firm believer in open communication and encourages out-of-the-box thinking.

Gibson says his first impression of Tobyhanna was the professionalism of the work force at the leader, management and

"The entire team seems to be very motivated in getting the

Although he was not familiar with Tobyhanna until about two years ago, Gibson says, as a warfighter, he has been a customer of the depot for 22 years.

"I had a great experience with Tobyhanna as I led the Reset mission for 25th Infantry Division in 2007," he says. "We were having issues with another facility that was resetting over 1,000 of our night vision goggles (NVGs)." He heard about the "great work Tobyhanna did with Resetting NVGs" and contacted the Army Materiel Command liaison to ship the Reset items to the

"The turnaround time and quality was tremendous once we received our equipment back," Gibson says, adding that it was "a successful event for the 25th Infantry Division and our

He notes that the work done at Tobyhanna is vital to the mission's success.



Col. Charles C. Gibson speaks at Military Retiree Day, Aug. 8, one of his first official acts since taking command. (Photo by Tony Medici)

"The reason Tobyhanna exists is to support the warfighter - period," he emphasizes, and noting that "every mission we execute has an impact on the warfighter, either as he or she is in the Reset, training, or ready-to-deploy phase, or in the fight."

Gibson says the mission is larger than he had expected.

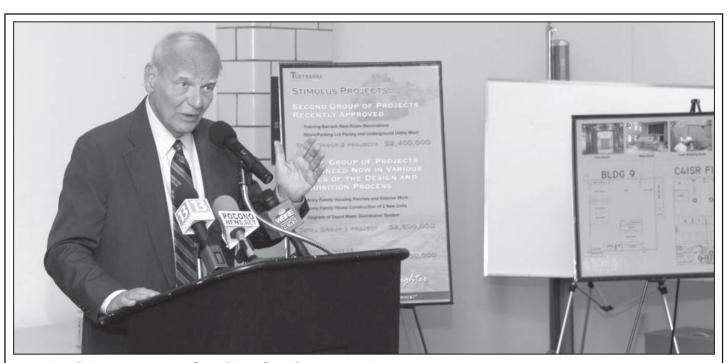
"In my first two weeks I was overwhelmed at the amount of requirements and tasks that we do on a daily basis," he explained.

He notes that the mission is vital and reminds Tobyhanna employees that they are a huge part of the Army Materiel Command team in support of the warfighter.

"I consider myself a team player and I am looking forward to the great ideas from the entire work force – from the directors to the great civilian work force on the floor," he says, noting that "the key will be turning these great ideas into mission success."

As summer winds down he noted that he and his family have set a goal to learn to ski this winter.

Gibson has earned numerous awards, including the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Clusters.



Kanjorski announces funding for depot projects

On Aug. 19, U.S. Rep. Paul E. Kanjorski, PA 11th District, announced \$2.4 million for renovations to the depot's barracks, located in Building 230. The funding will help provide modern quarters for over 2,000 Active and Reserve military personnel who train here each year. Kanjorski noted that the funding "reinforces the success we've had here in Northeastern Pennsylvania and at Tobyhanna." The funding will also advance paving projects, which will improve parking areas to support the growth of the work force, reduce traffic congestion on Hap Arnold Boulevard, and provide improved grounds for outdoor storage equipment. In April, Kanjorski announced almost \$2.8 million in economic stimulus funding for military family housing renovations and construction, and other infrastructure improvements at the depot. (Photo by Tony Medici)

AKO, DKO increase security measures

by AKO Public Affairs **Army News Service**

WASHINGTON — Army Knowledge Online (AKO) and Defense Knowledge Online (DKO) are changing procedures for users who log on without a common access card.

Users accessing the AKO or DKO Web Portals without a Common Access Card will soon need to take additional steps to verify their identity when logging on.

"Last year, more than nine million people became prey to identity thieves who obtained significant portions of the information about their victims from the Internet," said Maj. Alprentice Smith, AKO/DKO director of security. "We want to make sure our users and their information are protected to the maximum level possible, while still providing an environment for warfighters, and those that support them, to communicate and access information."

Because mission-critical and personal data are essential to the Army and Department of Defense, AKO will use knowledge-based authentication, or KBA security questions, to provide proof of authentication for users entering the system via username and password. The AKO and DKO Web portals now serve more than 2.2 million users, according to Smith.

"One of the most common ways hackers gain access to information is through keystroke monitoring," said Smith. "KBA helps eliminate that threat by allowing users to click on the correct answers to personal security questions with a mouse."

The enrollment process, which began in August, will include providing answers to a series of personal security questions. Shortly after enrollment, the new authentication process will begin for users entering the system via username and password. A user will then be required to select correct multiple choice answers to three of these security questions each time he logs in before access is granted to the AKO portal.

"This adds another layer of security without increasing the time it takes to log on," said Smith. "If a question is answered incorrectly, the user will have three attempts to get it right. If he fails at that, the user is locked out via username and password. At that point the user must logon with a CAC or reset his password using the current methods." Resetting security questions will require a call to the help desk.

KBA implementation will not disrupt the services provided by the AKO and DKO portals, Smith said. He added that KBA simply will ensure the security of user information and critical data, making it more difficult for information — whether personal or missionessential, to fall into the wrong hands.

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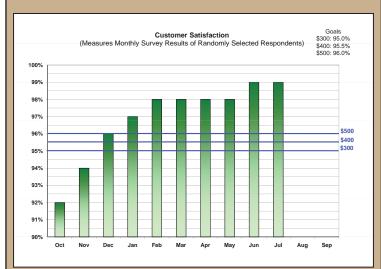


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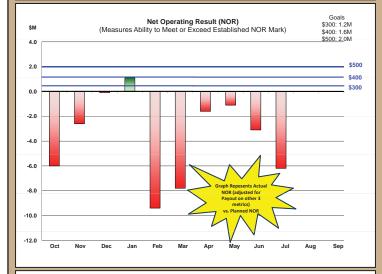
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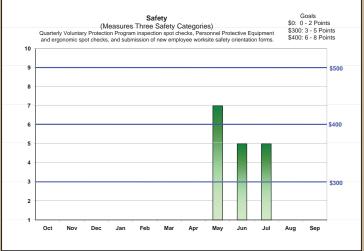
DEPOT PERFORMANCE IN KEY AREAS

Based on July data, the current projected payout is \$1,100. The employee payout award is based on performance in four areas rather than just the depot's financial performance as defined by the annual Net Operating Result (NOR). The amounts depicted in the charts represent a "projected payout" based on the depot standing against the stretch goals. Each of the four metrics has a payout potential of \$500 for a potential maximum payout of \$2,000. The final award amount will be determined by the cumulative status in each of the four areas at the end of this fiscal year. Monthly updates will be published in the Tobyhanna Reporter.









DOIM heads computer replacement project

by Jacqueline Boucher **Assistant Editor**

A team of computer specialists has embarked on a multi-million dollar project that will replace thousands of computers in work areas throughout Tobyhanna.

The Army's decision to switch to a new operating system by the end of the year prompted the purchase of 3,500 new computers scheduled for installation during the coming months. Directorate of Information Management (DOIM) personnel joined forces with several depot agencies to direct the purchase and configuration of the new systems, coordinate the turn-in of old computers, and launch an informational campaign that has kept the depot work force updated during each step of the process.

"Everyone is working well together and things are moving along as expected," said John Lankowski,



Bill Ruddy, IT specialist, performs final preparations on the new computers before they are installed in depot offices.

desktop support manager. "Since July, the contractor has been able to install one third of the new computers."

Lankowski, who works in the Customer Service Division, remarked that most people don't realize the inherent challenges of implementing an IT (information technology) project of this size. "There are specific governmental parameters that guide how we accomplish this PC (personal computer) refresh," he said, "The challenge is configuring the new operating system to function using the Army's Gold Master (AGM) Program, which governs how PCs operate on the installation, and the integrating the software used by Tobyhanna."

The new computers contain state-of-the-art components designed to support the depot's mission objectives. The manufacturer also pre-programs each computer with an imaged software package [written by DOIM employees] that enables them to operate in Tobyhanna's IT environment.

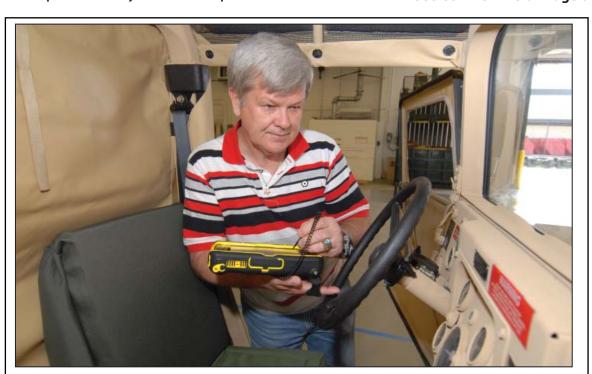
"The image tells the new computer how to work on the depot," Lankowski said, noting that several of the Customer Support Division's IT specialists are working long hours to make the refresh process as seamless as possible.

The IT specialists are integrating operating system components, distinctive programs, firewalls, security patches and other continuous technology updates into the new computers.

"We've run countless scenarios and created 'work around' patches to fix potential problems within the confines of the AGM," said Dave Kakareka, IT specialist. "As a team, we share ideas and work together to come up with solutions. It's all about tweaking things to make it better for the user."

To ensure accountability for the thousands of new and old automated data processing (ADP) items, hand receipt managers are monitoring the transition by assigning bar codes to the new equipment and removing old items from the depot's property books.

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Humvee inspections go paperless

Edward Pitcavage, finish inspector in the Quality Improvement Division, uses an Ultra Mobile Personal Computer, equipped with an Automated Process and Inspection Guide (AP&IG), which helps personnel perform quality control in spections on Humvees. AP&IG is a software program that automates and standardizes the inspection process and datacollection. AP&IG will help depot inspectors conduct a standardized finish compliance inspection of Humvees, helping to ensure depot personnel are producing a better quality product for the warfighter. "AP&IG is like a paperless version of the depot's Key Point Sheet for finish inspectors. This technology enables any inspector, regardless of expertise, to perform a finish inspection because it guides them through the process step-by-step," said April Garrahan, industrial engineering technician in the Process Engineering Division. Both divisions are part of the Productivity, Improvement and Innovation Directorate. (Photo by Steve Grzezdzinski)

Heritage month celebrates culture, contributions

Submitted by Caitlin Best Equal Opportunity technician

National Hispanic Heritage will be observed Sept. 15 to

It is a great time to focus our attention on the contributions of Hispanic Americans and to celebrate Hispanic heritage and culture.

One of our nation's most successful Hispanic Americans was Roberto C. Goizueta. He served as the chief executive officer (CEO) and chairman of the board of directors for the Coca-Cola Company from 1981 until his death, at age 65, in

A Cuban immigrant born in Havana on Nov. 18, 1931, Goizueta was the only son of a prominent sugar producing family. He later obtained a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Yale University. Instead of joining the family business, he responded to an anonymous advertisement in a Havana newspaper for a bilingual chemical engineer/chemist. He later learned the advertisement was for Coca-Cola. He started his career with the company in Cuba on July 4, 1954. After the Communist regime of Fidel Castro assumed power in Cuba and nationalized all private business, Goizueta fled to Miami with his wife and three children. He and his family eventually settled in Atlanta, Ga. He worked hard, becoming a company vice president at age 35. He was named president in 1980.

During his tenure as CEO, the company introduced Diet Coke and Cherry Coke to the market. He also expanded operations into Europe, Australia, Japan, Russia, China, and India. Goizueta is noted for createing more wealth for shareholders than almost any other CEO in history.

He also strove to make America stronger through generous philanthropic contributions. In 1992, he established The Goizueta Foundation, which supports educational programs that have a long-term impact on the community.

Goizueta once said, "My story boils down to the uniquely American idea that a young immigrant could come to this country with nothing but a good education and a job as a chemist, then 30 years later lead one of the world's best known enterprises."

Sources: www.goizueta.emory.edu; hem.passagen.se/cokeisit/ goizueta.html; www.cnn.com/US/9710/18/goizueta.obit.9am/



From left, Staff Sgt. Jason Fuentes, Dan Kalina, and Staff Sgt. Nelson Gonzalez perform final alignments on the AN/TPN-19's Precision

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more room for the maintainers to work in," he said.

"We modified 20-foot two shipping containers to house all the radar equipment," said Frank Egidio, production controller with the Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Management Division's Air Traffic Control Branch. He noted that the shelters needed "all kinds of reinforcements and modifications" attached to each structure to support the antenna.

"These larger shelters are more structurally sound, functional and provide more workspace for the maintainers," said Dan Kalina, electronics integrated systems mechanic, explaining that the shelters were tailor-made to suit the system's mission.

It's been about five years since the AN/TPN-19 has been at its home station

in Germany. According to Hall, the radar was deployed to Southwest Asia in 2004 and came to Tobyhanna from there. During that time, new maintainers were assigned to the squadron and trained to support the system without ever seeing

Kalina explained there is a cadre of Air Force specialists who deploy with the AN/TPN-19; maintainers, air traffic controllers, a radio technician, and environmental control and heating, ventilation and air conditioning personnel set up and maintain the system while it's in the field.

"As we go through the checklist, the maintainers are learning how the system works and how components interact with each other," Kalina said. "I've also been providing troubleshooting tips and hints to help them in the field.'

"The maintainers have trained hard

preparing for the day they'd finally get to work on this radar set," Hall said, adding that they're all ready for the AN/TPN-19 to come home. "Working with Team Tobyhanna has been a great experience. They are true professionals who have done an outstanding job with this project."



Employees here modified a 20-foot shipping container to support the airport surveillance radar function of the AN/TPN-19.



Public Works manages inventory of depot's real property assets

(Editor's Note: The Tobyhanna Reporter, in coordination with the Public Works Directorate (DPW), will publish a series of articles highlighting procedural guidelines for working with DPW divisions (submitting work orders, etc.)

Scenario: A contractor installs a new generator at Tobyhanna. What is the next step once it is installed?

The Contracting Officer's Representative must notify DPW's Engineering Division with all the real property information, such as cost, size and location, for the generator, explains Lori McAndrew, realty

Real property consists of assets on the installation that are stationary, which include buildings, roads, sidewalks, transformers, generators, storage sheds and manholes. It is for this reason that it is important for all directorates to report any purchase of any significant type of equipment to DPW Real Property, notes Ed Kovaleski, division chief. It will then be assessed and determined if it should be considered Real Property and tagged accordingly.

"A current and accurate inventory is the foundation for business management decisions, such as adding new construction and improvements, disposals by demolition, and transfers," McAndrew says.

Real property records feed information into the Defense Property Accountability System, Real Property Planning and Analysis System, and the Installation Status Report.

McAndrew notes that all paperwork must be completed before the demolition of a building.

Once approved, the process is annotated in the Integrated Facilities System (IFS) and updated along with the progress of the demolition. A close-out form on the cost of the demolition is then completed and removed from the IFS system.

For further guidance, refer to Army Regulation 420-1, Army Facilities Management. A copy, located in the Engineering Division's office, X57100, is available to

For more information, call McAndrew, X58157.

Did you know?

Real Property includes additions to IFS when a new building is constructed. At the beginning of the construction a facility number is assigned in IFS and the information that is available at the start is processed through IFS.

Once the building is completed and closed out, all information logged in IFS and a facility file is kept by the Engineering Division.

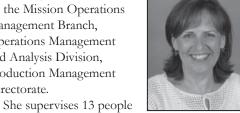
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New Supervisors

Karen Jantz is chief of the Mission Operations Management Branch, Operations Management and Analysis Division, Production Management Directorate.



who gather and maintain

data that is used to develop reports and briefings for internal and external customers. Branch employees also analyze performance and financial indicators, and plan, schedule and conduct projects designed to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of work operations.

Prior to her current position, Jantz was a management and program analyst in the division. She began her career here in June 1981, and has 37 years of federal service.

Jantz's awards include two Achievement Medals for Civilian Service, three Teamwork Awards, Certificates of Achievement/ Appreciation, Special Act, On-the-spot and Sustained Superior Performance.

She is a 1968 graduate of the Institute of Notre Dame, Baltimore, Md.

Jantz and her husband, Bob, reside in South Sterling. They are parents to Jamie, 33, and Michael, 31, and their dog Sammy.

Jantz is a cantor and choir member of St. Anthony's Church in Newfoundland, and enjoys attending and showing her 1956 Chevy at car shows, traveling and visiting family.

Owen Bryan Mohn is chief of the Engineering Design, Development and Manufacturing Division, Production Engineering Directorate.

He supervises 144 people in five branches who support Tobyhanna's operations through the development of engineering solutions.



They provide continuous engineering support for manufacturing and satellite communications operations. In addition, they help drive new business for the depot through the design and development of solutions to customers' needs, developing

cost estimates, researching and sourcing obsolete parts, and writing or updating publications.

Prior to his current position, Mohn was an engineering technical supervisor with 15 years of experience in the semiconductor industry. He began his career here in August.

Mohn is a captain in the Army Reserve and serves as commander of Delta Company, 422nd Civil Affairs Battalion in Greenboro, N.C. During his 18-year career, Mohn has deployed twice to Iraq: Once in support of weapons of mass destruction search efforts and recently as a Civil Affairs Team Leader.

Mohn's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, and Joint Meritorious Unit Award.

He is a 1990 graduate of South Lenoir High School, Deep Run, N.C. In 1995, Mohn earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Materials Engineering from North Carolina State University.

Mohn resides in Mt. Pocono, with his wife, Lauri. They are parents to Kyle, 22, and Mariel,

Mohn is a member of the Reserve Officer's Association and Military Officers Association of America, and enjoys restoring old jeeps, fly fishing, jogging, travel and golf.

WELCOME TO THE DEPOT

Name	Title	Organization
Paul Bath	Electronics engineer	D/PE
Michael Bednash	Electronics mechanic helper	D/SIS
Frank Cali	Electronic measurement equip mech	TMDE
Amanda Clare	Career program specialist	D/BM
Stanley Czock	Electronics engineer	D/PE
Howard Davies	Electronics mechanic helper	D/SIS
Sean Richards	Sheet metal mechanic	D/SIS
Jeffrey Roberson	Logistics management specialist	D/PM
Robert Vinenti	Mechanical engineer	D/PE
Michael Walsh	Logistics management specialist	LGSA
	SCEP	
Richard Wells	Electronics engineer	D/PE

NEW PREFIX COMING SOON

The telephone prefix for the depot is changing from 895 to 615. Customers may still dial both numbers, through October, to connect to Tobyhanna.



Caller ID for outgoing calls will be displayed as 570-615-XXXX. DSN and internal calls will not be impacted.

READ THE TOBYHANNA REPORTER

on the depot's Internet site. Current and archived issues of the bi-weekly publication can be viewed at

HTTP://www.tobyhanna.army.mil/about/news/reporter.html

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"I'm there to make sure the new computers and monitors are accounted for when replacing the old equipment." said Walter Rohan, hand receipt manager. "It's a big job, and everything has been going smoothly thanks to the highly qualified and skilled people assigned to their particular functions."

Once the paperwork is complete, old systems are sent to the turn-in area for



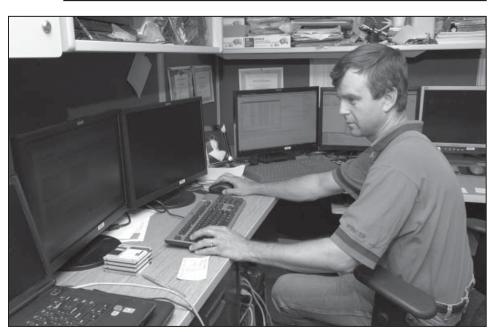
Phil McHugh, IT specialist, degausses the disc drive on an old computer before it's turned over to the contractor for disposal.

degaussing. Degaussing is a procedure that destroys the disc drive on every computer that will leave the installation as part of the PC refresh, according to Phil McHugh, IT specialist. In addition to installing the new computers, the contractor is also responsible for disposing of old equipment.

"In the past we used a software program that only erased the disc drive," McHugh said. "This time we're going the extra mile to ensure senisitive or 'for official use only' information does not leave the depot on any of the turn-in computers." A four-person team follows a step-by-step process to degausse about 50-80 machines daily.

McHugh recommends depot employees take the time to back up important files before their computer is turned into his team. "There's no way anyone is retrieving the information once the disc drive has been degaussed," he said.

Posting detailed instructions on how to back up data is yet another of the myriad tasks performed by DOIM personnel. Their responsibilities also include administering weekly meetings, conducting site surveys and orchestrating complex schedules to keep the PC refresh on track. Information about the project is available on the intranet,



Dave Kakareka and several other IT specialists research and solve potential problems during the PC refresh. (Photos by Tony Medici)

including minutes for each meeting.

"We're ensuring everyone has their files backed up and letting them know when the install team will be in their work area," said Paulette Vadovsky, project leader. "I also print reports for each cost center showing their current equipment and what will be replaced in the one-for-one swap." To date, the depot has received 1,750 computers and 2,100 monitors, she added. Vadovsky works in the Architecture Systems and Application Design Division.

"We're a small organization doing a large job," Lankowski said. "I'm very proud of the work everyone is doing to support the PC refresh. It's because of their hard work that we've been able to accomplish so

CAREER MILESTONE



From left, William Freeman, chief of the U. S. Army Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Support Center – Tobyhanna, Jon Bucher, Nancy Turha and Deputy Commander Frank Zardecki attend the Length of Service Awards ceremony held Aug. 18.

Two Tobyhanna employees were recognized for their years of government service during the Aug. 18 Length of Service Ceremony.

Nancy Turha—35 years, chief, Budget Division, Resource Management Directorate.

Jon Bucher —30 years, electronic measurement equipment mechanic leader, Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment (TMDE) Support Region 1, U. S. Army Test, (TMDE) Support Center – Tobyhanna.

In addition to their service certificates and pins, employees with 35 years of service receive an engraved mantel clock, and 30-year honorees receive a framed American Flag that includes a photo of the depot.

Honorees who attended their Length of Service ceremony also receive a four-hour time-off award. Deputy Commander Frank Zardecki presented the awards.

HIGH-TECH COMMANDANT

On Aug. 11, Maj. Teeraphan Bevill took command of the U.S. Army High-Tech Regional Site-Maintenance, 80th Training Command.

He supervises 15 Soldiers and three civilian employees who provide accredited Military Occupational Specialty Qualification, sustainment and transition training, and non-accredited sustainment training, as well as new equipment training.

Bevill says he hopes to build relationships by partnering and being more involved with the depot. He would also like to obtain more up-to-date equipment for training.

"Since IT (information technology) changes about every six months I want to get equipment here that will mirror what they (Soldiers) will be doing at their job site," he says.

Prior to his current position, Bevill was an inspector general for the 335th Signal Command (Theater). He began his career here in August.

Bevill's leadership philosophy is based on what he refers to as "the four pillars": see to the mission, see to the troops, see to the family and see to yourself.

"You have to meet the mission first, and if you take care of your troops then the mission is going to come. I believe the families support the troops, and if you continue to improve yourself professionally and personally then it affect the other areas," he explains.

Bevill began his military career in 1995. Throughout his career he has served in several command and staff positions, from platoon to brigade level. In 2007 he joined the Active Guard Reserve program.

Bevill's decorations include the Bronze Star,



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Meritorious Service and Army Achievement medals, and the Joint Service and Army commendation

He is a 1989 graduate of Wagner High School, Clark Air Base, Philippines. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in biosystems engineering from the University of Arizona in 1995.

Bevill resides on on-post, and is father to Kinsey, 10, and Kayla, 5. He enjoys spending time with his

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

Editor's Note: The Community Bulletin provides an avenue for depot and tenant employees to advertise van or car pools, and for-sale items. Money making items such as rentals and personal business will not be accepted.

Information must be submitted via e-mail to Jacqueline.Boucher@us.army.mil, or written items can be mailed to the Public Affairs Office, mail stop 5076.

Submissions must include a name and telephone extension. Only home phone numbers will be published in the Trading Post section.

Ads will be published in four consecutive newspapers. It is the customer's responsibility to update or renew items listed in the Community Bulletin.

For information, call Jacqueline Boucher, X58073.

7 a.m.-3:30 p.m., A placard, pick up points are the Nanticoke National Guard Armory and the Sugar Notch park and ride, call Jim Gallagher, X58155.

- Carbondale: 1 opening, van, 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m., first RDO, nonsmoking, A placard, shared driving, door-to-door pickup, call Patrick, X57178.
- Pittston, Duryea, Avoca: 4 openings, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., 7 passengers, van, A placard, nonsmoking, house-to-house pickup or can make alternate arrangements, call Dan Kalina, X58646 or John Callaio, X56883.



TRADING POST

- •Vehicle: 2002 GMC Sierra, 48K mi., 4.8L V8, 5spd man. trans., 4wd, tow package, new brakes and rotors, new tonneau cover and bed-liner, after market wheels, \$7,800, call Jeffrey, 228-9064.
- Motorcycle: 2007 Yamaha FZ6, 600cc, 96.5hp, new Pirelli tires, extended warranty until 2012, shop/service manual, helmet and armored jacket included, asking price \$4,250, call Jeffrey, 228-9064.
- Tickets: 2 tickets for Brad Paisley with Dierks Bentley and Jimmy Wayne, Sept. 9 at the Allentown Fair, \$120 for both or best offer. 2 tickets to Penn State vs. Syracuse,

Sept. 12, \$150 for both or best offer, call Andrew Beck, X558407, or 877-4385 in the evening.

- Property: ranch, Lake Watawga partial lake view, four bedrooms/three baths, two fireplaces, deck, screened porch, detached two-car garage, \$249,900. 10 minutes from depot, call Ed, 848-2652 after 5 p.m.
- Furniture: Dresser with mirror, \$25 and four shelf book case, \$5, call Paul, 689-9996
- Dirtbike: 2008 Kawasaki KX 100, like new condition, plenty of extras, aftermarket parts, includes boots, helmet, protection equipment and bike stand, asking \$2,500, call John, 676-
- Misc: GE electric stove, tan, missing three burners, \$25; Kenmore refrigerator, tan, very good condition, \$125; Maytag portable dishwasher, black front, white sides, cutting board top, hose and faucet hookups included, very good condition, \$174, and standard size pool table with balls, 2 racks and 5 sticks, needs work (screws missing), \$25 OBO, call Brian 898-2229.
- R/C helicopter: electric, align TRex 450 SE, upgraded to V2 specs, new tail assembly, HS 56 servos, Astroflight 020 motor, Castle creations Phoenix 35 ESC, Futaba gyro, (1) 3 cell, 2100Mah battery, many spare parts, includes pitch gauge (align), swashplate leveler, and flybar lock, \$400 for all; call John, 216-0164.



VAN/CAR POOLS

- Pittston/Dupont/Avoca/Moosic: 1 opening, 7 passengers, van, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., call Janice, X56269.
- **Dunmore:** 2 openings, 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m., both Fridays, A placard, nonsmoking, possible house-to-house pick-up, call Tom Cruser X58890.
- Beach Lake/Honesdale: looking to join, 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m., call Melissa Failla, X58742 or 575-1458.
- Honesdale, Lake Ariel, Hamlin: 2 openings, 5/4/9, both Fridays, call Dale Schaffer or Dan Davis, X57609.
- Berwick, Hazleton: 1 opening, van, 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m., call Dave Wittig, X57625.
- Factoryville, Dalton, Clarks Summit: 1

- opening, 7 passengers, van, 5/4/9, first RDO (flexible), nonsmoking, A placard, handicap, call Richard Pomicter, X59343.
- Hawley, Hamlin: 1 opening, 8 passengers, van, 5/4/9, both Fridays, nonsmoking, follow Route 196 to depot, call Bruce, X56417 or Tim, X56427.
- Honesdale: 1 opening, van, 5/4/9, second Friday, call Jim LoPresti, X56630.
- Wilkes-Barre, Pittston: 3 openings, van, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., nonsmoking, pickup points are Jack Williams Tire on Route 315 in Wilkes-Barre and Pollock Chevrolet, also on Route 315 in Pittston, call Chuck, X57185 or 262-6376.
- Hazleton, Freeland, White Haven: 1 opening, van, third shift, contractors welcome, contact Robert Tichy, X59069 or robert.j.tichy@us.army.mil.
- Nanticoke, Sugar Notch: 1 opening, van,





1st Poker Run earns \$\$\$ for OSC

The first Operation Santa Claus (OSC) Poker Run earned \$3,000. The proceeds will benefit the annual OSC holiday charity program. There were 194 people who rode 95 motorcycles from Dickson City to the depot, stopping at three places. At each location, the bikers drew a card for a total of five cards. Poker hand winners were John Eisenhauer, first place; and Charles Peterson, second place. Santa and Mrs. Claus were on hand to support the event. Participants were treated to a buffet, raffles and music at the depot. The bikers were escorted by Spec. Paul Welby and Spec. William 55th Brigade Special Troops Battalion, driving two Humvees. Money and goods donated to the OSC throughout the year will be distributed via OSC volunteers to local organizations. (Photos by Jackie

Project team condenses stock, frees storage space

by Jen Brady **CECOM LCMC Logistics and Readiness Center**

Since 2007, the CECOM Life Cycle Management Command Unidentified Stock (UNIDENT) Project Team has worked to condense the supply of materials at Tobyhanna for higher efficiency.

Their efforts have helped clear 440,000 square feet of storage space and recover stock worth \$35 million for fiscal year 2007-08 and \$780,000 for fiscal year 2009 have been returned by the Communications Directorate. The directorate is part of CECOM's Logistics and Readiness Center.

This has included an extensive mission to identify the accumulation of misidentified stock and to process, screen, recover or dispose of these materials with a tentative goal of reducing the CECOM account at Tobyhanna Army Depot by 1,100 lines of stock totaling about 100,000 items.

Individual responsibilities for this project required that stock must be visually inspected line-by-line and, when necessary, that new Federal Supply Classification Numbers be assigned prior to disposal documents being issued to the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO).

Thomas Becker, the Multichannel Radio Branch Quality Assurance Specialist for the Communications Directorate of CECOM's Logistics and Readiness Center, is the point of contact for the project.

To aid him in overseeing the disposal of excess and misidentified stock, Directorate interns were delegated to the Project UNIDENT Team. They collaborated with Becker to identify all items, prepare paperwork for the DRMO and determine proper demilitarization codes for disposal.

To date, 42 Logistics and Readiness Center interns have participated in this project and have been instructed in the inner workings of the Depot and Defense Logistics Agency operations at Tobyhanna.

Here at CECOM, the project is being led by Michele Famulary of the Logistics and Engineering Operations Directorate, which has contributed by creating UNIDENT item lists of CECOM's accounts at Tobyhanna Army Depot warehouses. This material was released over a two-year period to allow CECOM workers sufficient time to process the

After processing and screening by the CECOM team, the newly identified material was sent to a DRMO facility to be staged for resale or disposed of as required. Additional

screening was done by Justin Frey, Tobyhanna DRMO representative, to ensure that no classified, secret or hazardous materials were present. DRMO personnel then verified item documentation before transportation out of Tobyhanna and on to a demilitarization facility as necessary.

The UNIDENT project team has rapidly reached their goals, managing hundreds more lines of stock than initially

At the end of fiscal 2007, the first year of the project, 3,031 lines of stock were processed, consisting of nearly 231,400 pieces of equipment. By fiscal year 2008, a total of 4,360 lines of stock had been received, and a total of 443,350 individual parts were processed. By fiscal year 2009, 37,323 more items were processed with a grand total of 480,673 individual parts, 3 percent of which required special handling and disposal.

The items were classified and managed in many different ways: 35 percent was recyclable aluminum, steel or wire; 25 percent waste; 5 percent returned to shops for use as spare parts; 15 percent turned in to the DRMO as electronic scrap to be sent to the demilitarization centers; 15 percent returned to the DRMO for reutilization; and 5 percent returned to the CECOM accounts for immediate use by the item managers.

Aside from the collaboration of the UNIDENT team, CECOM attributes much of their success to the permission granted them by Donald Carroll, Production Support Management, to use Building 87 at Tobyhanna, which also provided space for using related equipment and environmental support. Carroll also granted the CECOM team the assistance of his Tobyhanna dedicated support team, Joseph Iglio and Thomas Damski, both of whom were key players on this

"Project UNIDENT has developed into a win-win situation," Carroll said. "Most all square footage cleared from DDTP resulted in additional work space being turned over to Tobyhanna for mission workload."

"We felt it was a good experience for all," Damski added. "We all teamed together moving tons of material from what seemed at times to be an endless trail of materials coming

Under the direction of Communications Director Mark DiPaola, the UNIDENT team reached their project goals eight weeks ahead of schedule, cutting their expected project time and costs in half.

"It was especially gratifying to see the interns actually get hands on experience of the items they manage back at Fort



Thomas Becker (right), CECOM Life Cycle Management Command team leader, helps Thomas Damski, material handler, use a forklift to remove UNIDENT items from storage. (U.S. Army photo)

Monmouth," Iglio said. "Many item managers, especially interns, never actually get a chance to see or touch the item they manage.

The fiscal year 2009 UNIDENT project will reach completion upon final filing of paperwork for remaining sensitive items in need of special handling and disposal. CECOM Team Leader Thomas Becker has received high recognition for work on the UNIDENT project, was awarded a Commander's Gold Coin from the Defense Logistics Agency for performance and exceptional service and also was named one of the Logistics and Readiness Center's Top 10 Employees of 2009.

Carroll called working with CECOM "a pleasure." "Over the past two years the Unident Project team from CECOM consisted of the team lead, Thomas Becker and over 50 interns," he said. "The interns, mostly item managers, come to Tobyhanna usually two at a time for a two week period. During the past two years working with Mr. Becker and the interns, I can honestly say there was never a negative moment with anyone on the team."